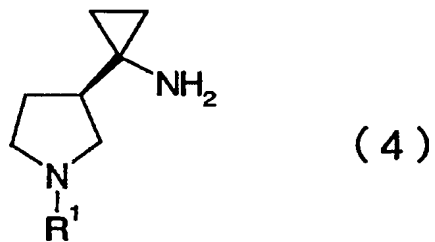


ABSTRACT

A process for producing an optically active compound represented by formula (4), or a salt thereof,



wherein R¹ represents a protecting group.